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SUBJECT: BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE SPORTS EVENT

REF: USIA 5995

PROPOSED SPORTS FESTIVAL/CLINIC WOULD BE APPROXIMATE
THREE-DAY EVENT. PREFERRED DATE IS ASAP, BUT ANY DATE
ACCEPTABLE WHEN "NAME" PARTICIPANTS AVAILABLE FOR THREE
LISTED SPORTS. IMPOSSIBLE PRECISELY DETERMINE COMMITTEE'S
LIMITS, FOR FUNDING, BUT BELIEVE FULLY CAPABLE SIZEABLE
COSTS, INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION, HOTELS, BENEFIT-LEVEL
FEES, ETC. MAIN PROBLEM IS TO PROCURE AND SUBMIT LIST
TO COMMITTEE OF SUITABLE ATHLETES WITH DATES OF AVAILABIL-
ITY AND ESTIMATED COSTS WHILE ENTHUSIASM STILL HIGH.
SEVERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ALSO HOPEFUL EVENT CAN BE
VENUED AT "TEMPORARY" STANDS AND STAGING WHILE THEY STILL
INTACT AFTER CARNIVAL CELEBRATIONS WHICH ENDED MARCH 3.
THIS OBVIOUSLY LONG-SHOT SINCE IMPOSSIBLE PERSUADE PORT
OF SPAIN OFFICIALS KEEP STANDS UP MORE THAN FEW WEEKS,
BUT POST BELIEVES STILL WORTH TRY. HOPE THIS SUFFICIENT
TO BEGIN PRELIMINARY CONTACTS AND PROVIDE STARTER
INFORMATION TO COMMITTEE SINCE THEY MOST ANXIOUS BEGIN
WORK. FYI: BELIEVE MAL WHITFIELD OF USIA CAN GIVE
SUBSTANTIAL HELP THIS PROJECT.
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